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FM AMEMBASSY LIMA

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 5422

INFO AMEMBASSY BOGOTA

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E. O. 11652: N/ A

TAGS: EGEN, VE

SUBJ: ANDEAN PACT: VENEZUELAN ENTRY

REF: CARACAS 3899

1. VENEZUELAN ENTRY NOT OFFICIAL UNTIL ALL MEMBER COUNTRIES HAVE RATIFIED CONSENSUS OF LIMA COLOMBIAN LEGISLATURE NOT IN SESSION UNTIL JULY 20 AND ITS RATIFICATION PROCESS RATHER COMPLICATED. IT MAY NOT BE CONCLUDED UNTIL LATTER PART OF YEAR.

2. AS NOTED IN REFTTEL, VENEZUELAN RATIFICATION PROCESS ALREADY STARTED. ALL OTHER COUNTIRES, INCLUDING CHILE, CAN IMPLEMENT CONSENSUS OF LIMA BY DECREE. NO DIFFICULTIES EXPECTED, BUT BECAUSE OF SITUATION IN COLOMBIA NO GREAT URGENCY FELT IN ISSUING THESE DECREES. SO
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FAR ONLY PERU HAS DONE SO (DECREE LAW 19979, APRIL 3, 1973).

3. FOR PRACTICAL PURPOSES VENEZUELA' S ENTRY TAKEN FOR GRANTED. NEXT COMMISSION MEETING, STARTING MAY 29, SCHEDULED TO BE HELD IN CARACAS. THIS WOULD BE FIRST TIME FOR COMMISSION TO MEET OUTSIDE LIMA.

4. JUNTA WORKING ON SECTORIAL PROGRAMS WHICH IT HOPES TO HAVE APPROVED IN DECEMBER WITH VENEZUELAN PARTICIPATION. THESE ARE THE METAL- WORKING INDUSTRY PROGRAM (SECOND PHASE) AND THE PETROCHEMICAL AND AUTOMOTIVE INDUSTRY PROGRAMS. VENEZUELAN COOPERATING ACTIVELY IN RESPECTIVE STUDIES.

5. COMMENT: DECEMBER DEADLINE RATHER TIGHT FOR BOTH RATIFICATION AND FOR APPROVAL OF THE THREE SECTORIAL PROGRAMS. POLITICAL PRESSURES EXPECTED TO MOUNT IN COMING MONTHS TO REACH THESE GOALS SO AS NOT TO DISSIPATE INTEREST AND FORWARD MOTION CREATED IN WAKE OF SIGNING OF CONSENSUS OF LIMA.

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